

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING TELEVISION PROGRAMS WITHIN AN ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 Television programs are represented by program interface objects (PIOs)
within an interactive television system. The PIOs provide a visual indicator for
quick identification of the represented television program, attributes providing
information concerning the represented television program, and actions that may
be performed on or in connection with the represented television program. The
10 PIOs may be sorted, filtered, and/or managed based on user-provided criteria.
The PIOs may also be linked to allow an operation performable in connection to
one PIO to be performed in connection with the linked PIO(s).